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SUBJECT: NPT REVCON: MAY 14 COMMITTEE II MEETING--ARTICLE IV--

MORNING SESSION

1. YUGOSLAVIA STRESSED NEED TO SHARE BENEFITS OF NUCLEAR POWER TO ENSURE INTERNATIONAL STABILITY AND SECURITY, AND THAT ASSISTANCE SHOULD NOT BE INTERPRETED AS COMPENSATION FOR NNWS' FORESWEARING NUCLEAR EXPLOSIVE DEVELOPMENT. LISTED PRIORITIES FOR LDCS AS:
--MINING AND PROCESSING OF URANIUM;
--BUILDING NUCLEAR POWER STATIONS;
--PARTICIPATION OF LDCS IN CONSTRUCTION AND OPERATION OF SUCH STATIONS.
STATED MORE FUNDS NEEDED FOR ABOVE PURPOSES, AND PROPOSED REVCON SHOULD SET ASSISTANCE PRIORITIES FOR NEXT FIVE YEARS, INCLUDING IAEA ACTIVITIES.

2. THAILAND URGED THOSE WHO CAN TO CONTRIBUTE GENEROUSLY TO IAEA, NOTING, HOWEVER, THAT IT DOUBTFUL AGENCY AND UNDP CAN GIVE PREFERENCE TO NPT PARTIES. SAID CERTAIN CONTRIBUTIONS, LIKE US GIFT FUEL, ARE VALUABLE, BUT THERE IS MUCH COMPETITION FOR IT, IMPLYING MORE SHOULD BE GIVEN. ALSO STATED THAT AGENCY SHOULD HELP PARTIES SET UP NATIONAL SAFEGUARDS SYSTEMS TO IMPLEMENT ARTICLE III, USING TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE FUNDS IF NECESSARY.

3. GDR STATED NPT HAS HELPED PROMOTE INTERNATIONAL STABILITY, AND EMPHASIZED IMPORTANCE OF COOPERATION IN NUCLEAR POWER FIELD. STATED THAT ASSISTANCE BY IAEA SHOULD GO PRIMARILY TO NPT PARTIES.

4. BELGIUM SAID REVCON SHOULD SOLEMNLY RECONFIRM THAT ARTICLES II AND III WERE NECESSARY AND SUFFICIENT BASIS FOR NPT PARTIES TO RECEIVE "CLASSIFIED" TECHNOLOGY WITH BOTH PEACEFUL AND MILITARY POTENTIAL, E.G., URANIUM ENRICHMENT TECHNOLOGY, WITHOUT FURTHER RESTRICTIONS. SAID THAT WAS MOST IMPORTANT ASPECT OF ARTICLE IV IMPLEMENTATION FOR BELGIAN, AS COMPENSATION FOR FORESWEARING WEAPONS, AND THUS DENYING ITSELF THE TECHNICAL SPINOFF OF WEAPONS PROGRAMS.

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5. IRAN STATED GOI HAS MAJOR PLANS TO INSTALL 23,000 MWE OF NUCLEAR POWER BETWEEN 1980-92. IMPORTANT THAT UNDER ARTICLE IV NUCLEAR POWER PLANS OF PARTIES BE ADVANCED, AND THAT ASSISTANCE IN TRAINING, EXPLOITATION OF NATURAL RESOURCES, ETC., BE PROVIDED. APPEALED FOR MORE ASSISTANCE FOR NPT PARTIES THROUGH IAEA. ASSERTED THAT EXPORTING COUNTRIES SHOULD RESTRICT EXPORTS TO ONLY THOSE COUNTRIES ACCEPTING SAFEGUARDS ON ALL OF FUEL

CYCLE. SAID THAT THE LETTER OF ARTICLE IV SHOULD DECIDE EXPORT POLICY, AND NOT ECONOMIC AND POLITICAL FACTORS, AS IN THE PAST. SAID ANY CHANGES IN AGENCY SAFEGUARDS SHOULD BE RESPONSIBILITY OF AGENCY'S SAFEGUARDS COMMITTEE.

6. NIGERIA EXPRESSED THE VIEW THAT NWS SEEM TO HAVE COME TO REVCON WITH SELF-CONGRATULATORY ATTITUDE, ARMED WITH STATISTICS, AND SPECIFICALLY REFERRED TO USSR CLAIM THAT RESEARCH UNDERTAKEN BY IT ON ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY SHOULD BE CONSIDERED AS ASSISTANCE TO LDCS SINCE THEY BENEFIT FROM RESULTS. NIGERIAN REP SAID, ACTUALLY, COOPERATION BETWEEN NWS AND NNWS NOT YET SATISFACTORY. STATED THAT ARTICLE IV CANNOT BE SEEN AS POSTSCRIPT TO NPT, BUT AS AN INTEGRAL PART OF IT AND SHOULD THEREFORE BE A VITAL OBJECTIVE IN IMPLEMENTATION OF TREATY. HE NOTED THAT BARELY 50 PARTIES ATTENDING REVCON, AND CLAIMED THIS RESULTS FOR DISILLUSIONMENT STEMMING FROM NON-FULFILLMENT OF ARTICLES. HE STRONGLY SUPPORTED ESTABLISHMENT OF SPECIAL FUND FOR FINANCING NUCLEAR PROJECTS OF DEVELOPING NPT PARTIES.

7. SUDAN STATED IMPLEMENTATION OF ARTICLE IV FALLS FAR SHORT OF EXPECTATION OF LDC PARTIES AND THAT IAEA ASSISTANCE HAS BEEN OF MORE VALUE TO NON-PARTIES. CALLED FOR MORE BILATERAL, IAEA AND UNDP ASSISTANCE FOR DEVELOPING NPT PARTIES. SUPPORTED PHILIPPINE PROPOSAL FOR SPECIAL FUND.

8. SWISS SPOKESMAN SAID ANSWERS NEEDED TO NUMBER OF QUESTIONS TO ASSIST SWISS PARLIAMENT IN FURTHER CONSIDERING RATIFICATION OF NPT. REFERRED TO ARTICLE IV.1 AND RESEARCH BEING CARRIED OUT ON FUSION AND/OR LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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FISSION THROUGH "INERTIAL CONFINEMENT" OR IMPLOSION, UTILIZING LASER BEAMS, WHICH HAS POTENTIAL FOR NUCLEAR POWER APPLICATIONS. HE SAID RESEARCH HAS BEEN RESTRICTED IN THE PAST BECAUSE OF MILITARY POTENTIAL, BUT INFORMATION IS NOW APPEARING IN THE OPEN LITERATURE, PARTICULARLY FROM NWS. SWISS WOULD LIKE FOLLOWING ASSURANCES:

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--RE ARTICLES I, II AND IV, THAT "MICRO-IMPLOSION

SYSTEMS" NOT REGARDED AS NUCLEAR EXPLOSIVE

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DEVICE WITHIN MEANING OF NPT AND THAT RESEARCH ON

SUCH SYSTEMS COULD BE FREELY CONDUCTED IN

ACCORDANCE WITH ARTICLE IV.1.

--RE ARTICLE III.3--THAT THE CONDITIONS SET FORTH
RE NOT HAMPERING TECHNOLOGICAL DEVELOPMENT OR COOPERA-
TION WOULD BE APPLICABLE TO "MICRO-IMPLOSION"-
DEVICES USING MATERIALS SUBJECT TO NPT SAFEGUARDS.
--THAT NPT PARTIES WHICH PRODUCE HIGHLY ENRICHED
URANIUM OR SEPARATED PLUTONIUM WOULD BE WILLING TO
PROVIDE MATERIAL TO OTHERS FOR "MICRO-IMPLOSION"
RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT.

TURING TO ANOTHER SUBJECT, THE SWISS REP SAID THAT NOT
ENOUGH INTERNATIONAL ATTENTION HAD BEEN GIVEN TO COPING
WITH PROBLEMS "DOWNSTREAM" OF REACTOR OPERATIONS,
I.E., CHEMICAL REPROCESSING OF IRRADIATED FUELS AND WASTE
DISPOSAL, AND THAT SWITZERLAND WOULD LIKE ASSURANCES THAT
COUNTRIES WITH INFORMATION IN THESE AREAS WOULD MAKE IT
AVAILABLE TO IAEA TO ASSIST AGENCY IN INFORMING MEMBER
STATES OF THE PROBLEMS AND ALTERNATIVES INVOLVED IN
DEALING WITH THIS ASPECT OF NUCLEAR ACTIVITIES.

9. JAPANESE SPOKESMAN SAID GOJ'S FUNDAMENTAL UNDERSTAND-
ING OF NPT WAS THAT THE SUPREME OBJECTIVES OF THE
TREATY WERE: (A) ACHIEVING COMPLETE DISARMAMENT THROUGH
NON-PROLIFERATION OF NUCLEAR EXPLOSIVE CAPABILITIES, AND
(2) OF CONTRIBUTING TO THE PROMOTION OF PEACEFUL USES
OF NUCLEAR ENERGY. HE STATED THAT IMPORTANCE OF
ARTICLES IV AND V WAS SO GREAT THAT, WITHOUT THESE
ARTICLES, THE SIGNIFICANCE OF THE TREATY WOULD BE
VIRTUALLY LOST, AND STRESSED NEED TO TAKE
CONCRETE MEASURES TO PROMOTE IMPLEMENTATION OF THESE
PROVISIONS. STATED THAT WHERE DEMARCATION BETWEEN
PEACEFUL USE AND MILITARY USE "ALMOST PAPER-THIN",
UTMOST CARE SHOULD BE TAKEN TO PROTECT JUSTIFIABLE
PEACEFUL USES FROM BEING JEOPARDIZED IN NAME OF
PROHIBITION OF MILITARY USE, AND TO PREVENT MILITARY
USES FROM BEING ENCOURAGED IN NAME OF PROMOTION
PEACEFUL USES. WENT ON TO SAY THAT TECHNICAL ASSIS-
TANCE TO DEVELOPING NPT PARTIES SHOULD BE GIVEN
PRIORITY, AND THAT JAPAN WILL PARTICIPATE FULLY IN
ASSISTING THROUGH IAEA, UNDP AND "OTHER APPROPRIATE
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INTERNATIONAL FORUMS."

10. ITALIAN REP SAID MUCH REMAINS TO BE DONE
IN IMPLEMENTING ARTICLE IV, PARTICULARLY IN THE PROMOTION
OF NUCLEAR POWER. HE ASSERTED THAT FREE ACCESS OF NNWS
NPT PARTIES TO NUCLEAR FUELS AND TECHNOLOGY WAS VERY
IMPORTANT, AND THAT REVCON SHOULD REAFFIRM THAT ADHERENCE
TO THE NPT WOULD BE OF "DECISIVE" IMPORTANCE IN THIS
REGARD.

11. FINNISH DEL RECOMMENDED THAT SUPPLIER STATES MAKE SAFEGUARDS ON THE COMPLETE FUEL CYCLE A CONDITION OF SUPPLY TO ALL COUNTRIES. HE SAID FINNS HAD HOPED NPT WOULD RESULT IN NUCLEAR FREE MARKET WITH UNIVERSAL SAFEGUARDS SYSTEM, BUT THAT RESTRICTIONS IN SOME BILATERAL ARRANGEMENTS STILL APPLIED. THIS CONNECTION, HE REFERRED TO NEED TO KEEP TRACK OF MATERIALS SUPPLIED BY DIFFERENT COUNTRIES, AND RESTRICTIONS IMPOSED IN AREAS OF NON-PRESCRIBED MILITARY APPLICATIONS, RETRANSFERS, SAFEGUARDS, PRODUCED MATERIAL, AND "KNOW-HOW". AS EXAMPLE, HE SAID CONSENT NEEDED FROM THREE GOVERNMENTS BEFORE FINNISH REACTOR CAN BE LOADED WITH FUEL. EXPRESSED HOPE PROBLEM CAN BE RESOLVED.

12. MEXICAN REP APPEALED FOR MORE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR DEVELOPING NPT PARTIES, AND SAID DEVELOPED COUNTRIES, MAINLY NWS HAVE RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROVIDING CONCRETE ASSURANCES. ALSO, PREFERENTIAL PROVISION OF TECHNOLOGY AND ENRICHMENT SERVICES SHOULD BE MORE CONCRETE.

13. ZAIRE SUPPORTED PROPOSALS FOR INCREASED FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE AND PREFERENTIAL TREATMENT OF PARTIES.

14. ROMANIA REP STATED ARTICLE IV NOT BEING FULLY IMPLEMENTED, WHICH WEAKENS EFFECTIVENESS OF IMPLEMENTATION OF OTHER ARTICLES OF TREATY, RESULTING IN THREAT TO INTERNATIONAL PEACE AND SECURITY. REVCON SHOULD PROMOTE INCREASED COOPERATION AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE.DALE

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